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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to a prohibition against prior authorization
2 for medication-assisted treatment under the Medicaid
3 program.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT — PRIOR
2 AUTHORIZATION PROHIBITED. The department of human services
3 shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A that prohibit prior
4 authorization for medication-assisted treatment under either
5 Medicaid fee-for-service or managed care administration.
6 The department of human services shall also include this
7 prohibition in any contract entered into with a Medicaid
8 managed care organization. For the purposes of this
9 section, "medication-assisted treatment" means the medically
10 monitored use of certain substance use disorder medications in
11 combination with other treatment services.

12	EXPLANATION
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13 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
14 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

15 This bill relates to medication-assisted treatment. The
16 bill requires the department of human services (DHS) to adopt
17 administrative rules to prohibit prior authorization for
18 the provision of medication-assisted treatment under either
19 Medicaid fee-for-service or managed care administration.
20 The bill also requires DHS to include this prohibition
21 in any contract entered into with a Medicaid managed care
22 organization. Under the bill, "medication-assisted treatment"
23 means the medically monitored use of certain substance use
24 disorder medications in combination with other treatment
25 services.